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- 1) Reply to Office Action mailed April 22, 2003 with Appendix A;
- 2) Postcard;
- 3) Requisite fee for additional claims added by amendment (\$0.00). Calculations shown below.

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The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required for this submission to Deposit Account 10-0447, reference 42133-9USPT (ABDON).

Respectfully submitted,

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## **REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED APRIL 22, 2003**

In response to the Office Action mailed April 22, 2003, the Applicants respectfully respond as follows. The deadline for a Response to Provoke Advisory Action is June 22, 2003. Therefore, this Response is timely filed. This response complies with the new way of making amendments as suggested by the USPTO.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.